

Christmas Day Weather

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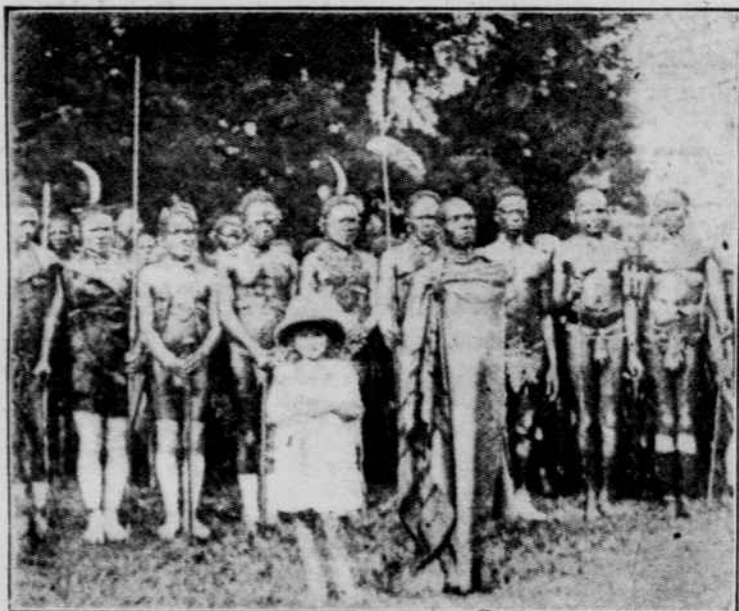
That wonderful land, Japan, whose people have made such amazing strides in catching up with the most advanced civilization of the Occident, and who never have accepted Christianity, has a most delightful climate during winter, with a large amount of sunshine and moderate temperatures.

The vast Christian nation so long ruled by the Czar, and now in such deplorable chaos, has a varied climate during December. From temperate conditions in the southern portion of its European possessions it gradually grows colder as one goes northward until a region of great severity is reached. At Petrograd the average night temperature is 6 degrees below zero. At Moscow it is colder, the average of its minimum temperature being 11 degrees

this extreme cold remains, the warmest part of the day varying but little from the coldest.

In many of the cities of the southern hemisphere Christmas Day is likely to be such as will cause the sojourner to long for some cooler region. There it is mid-summer, the grass is green and the fruit is on the trees. We of the North could hardly realize that it is December. In the pampas of the Argentine Republic everything is parched. The white stucco walls and the red tile roofs in the cities reflect the intense rays of the sun into the shimmering air. In Rio de Janeiro the days are almost unbearable, the daily temperature rising to 100 degrees and over at midday and seldom falling to 60 degrees at night. Bear in mind that the greater part of the area of South America lies between the equator and 30 degrees south latitude. But wherever in these South American cities one can escape to an elevation of several thousand feet a pleasant temperature may be found.

At Santiago, Chili, it is more comfortable than in Brazil, for the nights are cool, even though the day temperatures rival those



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below. Two-thirds of the time it is cloudy at these two cities.

Verkhoyansk, in the central portion of Siberia, is nearly the coldest place in the world where observations are regularly taken. There Christmas Day may be ushered in with a temperature as low as 75 degrees below zero. For days at a time

of the Argentine Republic. But here the cool mountain tops are almost hanging over the coast cities.

At Cape Town, in the extreme south part of Africa, two days out of three are clear and the daily range of temperature is from 48 degrees to 83 degrees, making fairly pleasant conditions during the Christmas holidays.

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